

**RUSHVILLE CITY UNSAFE HEARING BOARD**  
**TUESDAY, JUNE 1, 2004**  
**5:00 P.M.**

The Unsafe Hearing Board met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., with Chris Fields and Toby Gilliam answering roll call. Mike Pavey entered the meeting after the roll was called. Also present were Julie Newhouse, City Attorney, Jan Voiles, *Rushville Republican*, and Scott Murray, WKWH.

**MINUTES \* \* \***

Minutes of the May 5, 2004 were presented for approval. Fields made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Gilliam seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT \* \* \***

None.

**CITIZEN'S CONCERNS \* \* \***

None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS \* \* \***

**517 East 5<sup>th</sup> Street** – Clark received the title search on this property. There is a list of 9 creditors to notify. Clark will send notification to each creditor to appear at the next meeting. Clark noted that the property is secure at this time.

**Dollens Property 3<sup>rd</sup> Street** – Tracy Dollens was present to address the trash problem. Dollens stated that she just went back to work and they intend to get a dumpster sometime next week. They also intend to have the back half of the pickup truck hauled away. Gilliam made a motion to have Bennett inspect the property next Tuesday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. to see if the problem has been taken care of. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dollens also indicated that they will be putting in a driveway. Bridges said they will have to make sure it meets the zoning specifications.

**Wilkinson Property 3<sup>rd</sup> Street** – Darrell and Ramona Wilkinson were present at the meeting. Clark reported that the problem was taken care of shortly after he notified Wilkinson. Wilkinson also said he will provide containers for the renters' use. Gilliam made a motion to accept the condition of the Wilkinson property. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS \* \* \***

**322 West 5<sup>th</sup> Street** – Danny Bennett reported of a continuing problem with this property. He indicated that the owner did not have the means to take care of the overgrown shrubs and trees. He said he sent a letter today that this was creating a problem. Fields suggested looking into a one-time resolution to the problem. Gilliam also suggested to assess a lien if the City took care of the problem. Gilliam made a motion to act upon the 10-day response to the letter and if it was not taken care of then the City would go in and clean up the property. Fields seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**400 Block of Perkins Alley** – Gilliam said there was a cluster of bags and trash at the property. Bennett said he had notified the owners several times of this re-occurring problem. Bennett will send a letter and request that they clean up the mess and put the trash in containers.

Pavey questioned how a problem was handled when the landowner says the problem is the tenant and the tenant indicates the problem is the landowner. Gilliam suggested that the landowner should be notified. The Board asked Newhouse to look into the matter.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Pavey made a motion to adjourn. Gilliam seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

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ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

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CHRISTOPHER S. FIELDS, MEMBER

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MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER